avoided, consumption of rice is restricted, consumption of wheat is encouraged, production and consumption of substitute foods are encouraged. They also suggested that statutory orders should be issued, if necessary to implement the suggestions. The Government of India, were informed that the food position in this State did not warrant the promulgation of any statutory orders and that this Government had taken steps to persuade the public without any compulsion to avoid wastage of food, to produce and consume subsidiary food stuff, to eat more wheat, and to reduce consumption of rice.

Fertilizers factory

* 144 *Q*.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state whether the Government have asked any foreign Government to start a fertilizer factory at Neyveli?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : No, Sir. The project is being executed by a Government Company registered under the Indian Companies Act. The State Government cannot enter into any commitments for or on behalf of the project.

Olavayal channel

MR. SPEAKER : கனம் அங்கத்தினர் ஸ்ரீ அருணாசலத்தேவர் சபையில் இல்லாததால் 145-ம் கேள்வியும் அதனுடைய பதிலும் விவாதவெளியீட்டில் அச்சிடப்படும்.

* 145 *Q*.—SRI V. ARUNACHALA THEVAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are going to extend the Olavayal channel extension up to Neyveli in Tanjore district which could irrigate 8,000 acres in the dry area of Pudukkottai Division; and

(*b*) if so, when the work will be taken up?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) & (*b*) The matter is under consideration of the Government.

Cattle farms

* 146 *Q*.—SRI A. VEDARATHNAM : கனம் உள் விவகார அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) இம் மாகாணத்தில் எங்கெங்கே பசுப் பண்ணைகள் நடைபெறுகின்றன ?

(ஆ) ஒவ்வொரு பண்ணைக்கும் ஆகும் செலவு என்ன ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) (i) Hosur, Salem district.

(ii) Pudukottai, Tiruchirappalli district.

(iii) Orthanad, Tanjore district.

(iv) Pallathur, Ramanathapuram district.

(*b*) Hosur farm : Rs. 5,75,000 per annum.
Pudukottai farm : Rs. 2,20,500 per annum.
Orthanad farm : Rs. 4,59,300 per annum.
Pallathur farm : Rs. 46,600 per annum.